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 Expedited Procedure Requested
 Examining Group. 2655
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In re application of: Kazutoshi YASUNAGA et al.

Application No. : 09/849,398

Group Art Unit : 2655

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Examiner : Michael N. Opsanick

For : EXCITATION VECTOR GENERATOR, SPEECH CODER AND SPEECH DECODER

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_____ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

_____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

_____ A Request for Extension of Time.

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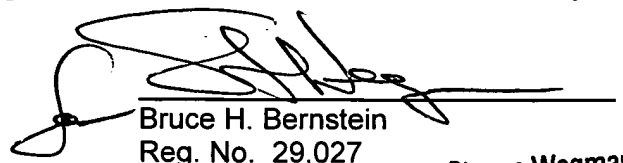
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of February 3, 2006, in which the three-month shortened statutory period for responding thereto runs to May 3, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this Response.